

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	15 August 2000
Name of applicant/court:	The District Court at Otahuhu
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Heimliche Liebe Eros zwischen Knabe und Mann
Other Known Titles:	a book titled Heimliche liebe; Heimliche Liebe; Secret Love: Erotic Love Between Boys And Men (Translation)
Director:	Not Applicable
Producer:	Not Applicable
Publisher:	Jahn & Ernst Verlag
Author:	Wolf Vogel
Format:	Book
Country of Origin:	Germany
Language:	German

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Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature:	Running time:
Trailers:	Running time:
	Total Running time:

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

After reconsidering its decision of 24 July 1998 to classify the book entitled *Heimliche Liebe Eros zwischen Knabe und Mann* as objectionable, the Classification Office now classifies it as:
Objectionable.

The publication is a soft covered book about sexual relationships between boys and men. The text is German.

The book promotes and supports the exploitation of children and young persons for sexual purposes by discussing sexual activity between boys and men in a manner that presents such conduct as positive and healthy. That boys are presented as enjoying sexual relationships with men further serves to legitimise sexual contact between adults and children or young persons. The publication is therefore deemed objectionable.

The criteria applied by the Classification Office resulting in the limit on the availability of this publication are prescribed by law. This classification represents the minimum interference with freedom of expression (as affirmed in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990) that is consistent with preventing likely injury to the public good.

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